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REPORT.

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1. ON APRIL 6, AMBASSADOR WELLS AND MISSION OFFICER MET WITH AMBASSADOR MILLS OF JAMAICA (G-77 CHAIRMAN) TO DISCUSS PROBLEM OF UNIDO FINAL REPORT AND OTHER MATTERS (SEPTEL). WE REVIEWED THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH GROUP B PROPOSALS HAD BEEN INSERTED IN REPORT, AND EXPLAINED TO MILLS THE CONCERNS WHICH MOTIVATED GROUP B'S OBJECTIONS. AMBASSADOR WELLS STRESSED THAT THIS ISSUE WAS IMPORTANT POLITICALLY, FOR, IF NOT RESOLVED SATISFACTORILY, IT COULD HAVE A SERIOUS NEGATIVE EFFECT ON EFFORTS TO BRING NEGOTIATIONS ON A CONSTITUTION FOR UNIDO TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. THIS WOULD BE DOUBLY UNFORTUNATE AS THE GAP BETWEEN U.S. AND G-77 VIEWS SEEMED QUITE SUSCEPTIBLE TO RESOLUTION.

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2. MILLS STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF ACHIEVING AGREEMENT ON A CONSTITUTION, AND FULLY AGREED THAT ANYTHING DETRIMENTAL TO THIS GOAL SHOULD BE AVOIDED. HE STATED, AND LATER REPEATED, HIS INTENTION TO DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH HALL UPON THE LATTER'S RETURN, AND TO SEEK A MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY SOLUTION. HE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD

THE IMPORTANCE THAT THE ISSUE HAD TAKEN ON.

3. ON THE LARGER QUESTION OF RESUMPTION OF DISCUSSIONS, MILLS MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE ISSUE WAS FAR TOO IMPORTANT TO BE RETURNED TO THE VIENNA FRAMEWORK. (HE RECALLED JAMAICA HAD ADVOCATED TRANSFER OF THE ISSUE TO NEW YORK SINCE 1976). HE EXPECTED SOME MUTUALLY AGREEABLE MEANS OF TAKING NOTE OF THE FAILURE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AT THE FIRST MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (MAY 3 - 13) COULD BE FOUND, BUT RULED OUT ANY EFFORT TO NEGOTIATE AGREEMENT IN THE OVERVIEW BODY. LEONARD

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